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(U) (c) None

(C) (d) The Bank and Financial Institution Act 2006 provides  
Nepal's central bank, the Nepal Rastra Bank (NRB), with the  
authority to seize any assets or freeze accounts deemed to  
have been used in terrorist activities. The Government of  
Nepal has not signed or ratified the UN Convention on  
Terrorism Financing. Nepal has not implemented UNSCRs 1267,  
1371, 1390 or 1455. The Nepali Parliament has not passed  
anti-money laundering legislation. The Department of Revenue  
Investigation under the Ministry of Finance functions as  
Nepal's financial intelligence unit (FIU). Nepal is not a  
member of Egmont or of any regional financial task force.  
The NRB issues orders to all the banks and financial  
institutions of Nepal to freeze orders on any individual or  
organization with terrorist links when the Embassy requests  
it. The NRB only investigates terrorist financing if there  
are complaints or requests; it has never conducted a thorough  
search of financial institutions for terrorist assets. The  
Nepalese government shares information on terror financing  
when it is requested. Nepal rarely reaches out to U.S.  
intelligence and law enforcement for assistance in combating  
terrorism financing because terrorism financing is not  
generally perceived as a significant threat.

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